

APPEAL NO. 022025
FILED SEPTEMBER 24, 2002

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing (CCH) was held on July 16, 2002. The hearing officer resolved the disputed issue by deciding that the respondent's (claimant) compensable injury of _____, includes herniations at L4-5 and L5-S1. The appellant (carrier) appealed and the claimant responded.

DECISION

The hearing officer's decision is affirmed.

It is undisputed that the claimant sustained a compensable injury. The claimant had the burden of proof on the disputed issue regarding the extent of her compensable injury. Conflicting evidence was presented at the CCH on the disputed issue. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility of the evidence. Section 410.165(a). As the finder of fact, the hearing officer resolves the conflicts in the evidence and determines what facts have been established. We conclude that the hearing officer's decision is supported by sufficient evidence and that it is not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong and unjust. Cain v. Bain, 709 S.W.2d 175 (Tex. 1986).

The hearing officer's decision and order are affirmed.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **TRANSPORTATION INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**CT CORPORATION
350 NORTH ST. PAUL
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201.**

Robert W. Potts
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

Elaine M. Chaney
Appeals Judge

Margaret L. Turner
Appeals Judge